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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

**Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**DOMINIC CHPTWELONG,  
MASAIO SHY DAIKICHI SALLEM,  
and JAMES OCHCHA**

**Defendants.**

**Criminal Case No. 08-00017**

**MOTION TO APPOINT  
TRANSLATOR/  
INTERPRETER**

Defendant **JAMES OCHCHA**, by and through Counsel Robert T. Torres, hereby respectfully moves this Court to allow him to hire a translator/interpreter. This request is supported with the following:

On May 16, 2008, this Court appointed Mr. Torres as Counsel for the Defendant, Mr. Ochcha. *See attached* "Appointment of Counsel". The arraignment in this case was heard before this court at 3:15 p.m., on May

1 15, 2008. In that hearing, Mr. Sandy Hambros was sworn as a  
2 translator/interpreter of the Chukese language and translated for Mr.  
3 Ochcha . Defendant's counsel avers and justifies to this court that the need  
4 for translator/interpreter services is necessary because Mr. Ochcha does not  
5 understand nor speak English well.  
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7 In order for counsel to adequately defend Mr. Ochcha in his case as  
8 well as this upcoming Jury Trial, a translator/interpreter is needed to assist  
9 counsel and his client. However, Mr. Ochcha does not have the necessary  
10 funds to hire a translator/interpreter. Mr. Ochcha should to able to go into  
11 trial with a proper defense without regard to his financial situation.  
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13 For the foregoing reasons, Mr. Ochcha respectfully requests that this  
14 Court grant his motion and allow him to hire a translator/interpreter of his  
15 choice.

16 Respectfully submitted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.  
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18 /s/  
19 Robert Tenorio Torres, F0197  
20 Attorney for Defendant Ochcha  
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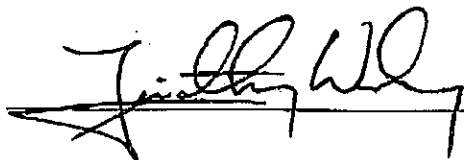
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FROM : Galo L. Perez, Clerk of Court  
BY: Timothy V. Wesley, Deputy Clerk

SUBJECT : CJA - Appointment of Counsel  
**CR-08-00017-003**  
**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA -vs- JAMES OCHCHA**



The Court has ordered your appointment as counsel to represent Mr. **JAMES OCHCHA** in the above referenced matter.


Attached is a copy of the following documents for your reference:

1. Indictment filed on 05/14/2008;
2. Copy of Warrant for Arrest Issued.

Should you need more information regarding the defendant, the case file will be made available to you at the Clerk's Office upon your request.

Please respond or acknowledge your appointment immediately. Thank you very much for your understanding.

Acknowledge receipt of appointment by signing below



Robert T. Torres, Esq.

**NOTE:** Upon acknowledgment, please fax to (670) 236-2910